

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

National AOTS Executive Meeting

Minutes of the Conference Call Meeting – Sunday, September 10, 2017

The meeting of the 2017 - 2018 National Executive was called to order at 7:05pm EDT by President John Cooke with a reading from David B. Bohl (SlowDownFast.com).

Executive Attendance (P = Present, R = Regrets)							
John Cooke	P	Jim Upright	P	Jim McKibbin	P	David Adams	P
Bill Love	P	Derek White	R	Garry Ross	R	Mark Browning (M)	R
Terry Pond	P	David Morris	R	Paul Cooper	P		

Guests: None

E17-18-01 Agenda: The meeting Agenda was reviewed, discussed and approved by consensus.

Adoption of the Agenda

Carried

E17-18-02 Check in since we last talked:

All present gave a brief update on their current status and activities. John noted that Five Oaks is in the process of renewal. Is it feasible to hold Round-up at Five Oaks? (**John/Paul to follow up**)

E17-18-03 Approve minutes of last meeting (June 4) circulated by Mark on Sep 6.

Upright/Adams

Carried

E17-18-04 Treasurer's Report – Terry

Terry emailed a copy of the Treasurer's report on Sep 10. 2017 Income includes Camp Improvement donations from 2 or 3 clubs and offering from 2017 Round-up. Meeting expenses include Biennial/Round-up.

Central Region Funds (\$2,140.15) were transferred from Ray Cockburn to The National AOTS account. A cheque for \$1000 was sent to Grace UC. Paul Cooper clarified that these funds were used for 2017 Round-up expenses. Terry will correct his records to reflect this. The remaining Central Region Funds (\$1,140.15) are held in the BMO account segregated for use by Central Region.

Approval of the Treasurer's Report: Adams/Love

Carried

E17-18-05 Correspondence

No correspondence received since the last meeting.

Business Arising from Minutes:

E17-18-06 Status of Camp Project and 2018 Plan

Briefly reviewed the update circulated via email by John on Sep 4.

E17-18-07 2018 Round-up Planning – Paul Cooper

\$500 is on deposit at JPCC. Paul initiated a survey to gauge interest for the 2018 event. Paul is optimistic there will be sufficient interest to go ahead. National Executive members are welcome to attend. Paul will update the Executive on the status and program details.

Moved that: A subsidy of up to \$1500 be given to the 2018 Round-up Committee to cover Round-up expenses.

Cooper/KcKibbin

Carried

E17-18-08 Action Plan for Implementing Suspension of the Executive – John circulated the draft action plan via email on Sep 1. The document was reviewed and key changes to each section are summarized below. Suggestions for change/revision should be sent to John. John will circulate the complete, revised document (Suspension Actions Rev 1.docx) with the minutes. Members who are interested in helping with specific actions should contact John directly.

Terminate the Camp Improvement Project in 2018

- Agreed to continue with the grant current limits for 2018
- Communicate to camps and others about termination of the program. Try to incorporate this in the 2018 advertising.

Actions at UCC

- Re the AOTS Charter – search for any historical information, possibly in BC or National records. There may also be some legal connections in the Revenue Canada documentation.

Financial plan

- Develop a budget for 2018 income & spending for approval at the Nov 26/17 meeting. (**Terry Pond**)
- John proposed a “Policy for Executive Travel Compensation in 2018”. The policy was adopted by consensus. Concerns or issues with the policy will be discussed at the next meeting.

National AOTS members are encouraged to support AOTS Clubs and Men’s Fellowships, and participate in local/regional/national events with a strong component of Men’s Ministry.

Financial compensation will be provided for such activities subject to:

- **Executive members will submit a plan outlining the activities and budget costs they expect to incur in 2018. Plan to be submitted to the Treasurer by Nov 15/17 and will be approved in the 2018 budget.**
- **Costs consistent with the plan will be reimbursed by the Treasurer upon receipt of an expense report.**
- **Exceptions to the plan will be submitted to the President for approval prior to incurring the expense.**

Communications plan – no changes

Establish a static web site to house information and documents – no changes

Historical Records, Information and Artifacts

- AOTS Supplies – no further action needed
- Removed note re “Charter Status” as it is covered elsewhere.
- Decide on a path forward for the Club charter history documents held by Jim Upright
- What achievements do we have? What do we do with it?
 - Highlight the peak of Club growth
 - Others?

Celebration

- Initiate discussion with Michael Blair re a Men’s Ministry Event (June 2018) in Oshawa (**John Cooke/Jim McKibbin**)

New Business

None

E17-18-9 Closing Prayer

E17-18-10 Motion to Adjourn

Next meeting: Sunday, Nov 26, 2017 at 7pm Eastern Time